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SUBJECT: PRIMIN ECEVIT COMMENTS ON GENEVA TALKS

1. FOLLOWING HIS MEETING WITH UK AMB PHILLIPS AUG 21, PRIMIN ECEVIT TALKED WITH JOURNALISTS AND REPORTEDLY MADE FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS (UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION):

2. ON RESUMING NEGOTIATIONS: "BOTH TURKEY AND BRITAIN HAVE ANNOUNCED THEIR READINESS TO START THE TALKS. THE POSITION OF GREECE AND THE GREEK CYPRIOTS IS NOT YET CLEAR, BUT LIKE THE USA, BRITAIN IS CONTINUING WITH HER INITIATIVE ON THIS TOPIC. I SENSE THAT THEY ARE MORE HOPEFUL, BUT THERE IS NOTHING TANGIBLE AT THE MOMENT."

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3. ECEVIT DENIED THERE WAS A JOINT ANGLO-US PLAN FOR CYPRUS

AND IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION ABOUT SECSTATE KISSINGER'S COMMENT THAT TURKEY WAS READY TO MAKE CERTAIN COMPROMISES STATED: "I SAID IN MY TELEVISION TALK THAT WE COULD, FOR INSTANCE, DISCUSS THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TURKISH AREA. I ALSO SAID THAT WE WERE LOYAL TO THE PROVISION OF THE DECLARATION OF GENEVA CALLING FOR THE GRADUAL REDUCTION OF MILITARY FORCES ON THE ISLAND WHEN THE TIME COMES. OF COURSE, THE REALIZATION OF THIS DEPENDS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CONDITIONS WHICH INSPIRE CONFIDENCE ON THE ISLAND. MR. KISSIGER IS MAKING REFERENCE TO THESE STATEMENTS WHICH I MADE BEFORE THE PUBLIC."
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